

REMARKS

The Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-10 and 18-22;
- II. Claims 11-17, 23-28 and 34-40; and
- III. Claims 29-33.

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, reserving their right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims. The claims of Groups II and III are canceled without prejudice.

The Examiner also required an election of species if the Group I claims were elected to one of the following species:

- I-1. Claims 1-10; or
- I-2. Claims 18-22.

Applicants hereby elect the claims of species I-1 (claims 1-10). Applicant reserves the right to, on indicated allowance of a generic claim, argue the patentability of the non-elected species. Claims 18-22 are therefore withdrawn without prejudice to reinstatement upon allowance of a generic claim.

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